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TO THE CANDID OF ALL DENOMINATIONS.

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THE PRESENT CASE OF JAMES LAWSON, A.M. B.D.

IN A LETTER TO HIS FRIENDS.

THIS Work contains an abſtract of the procedure and final judgment of the Preſbytery of Auchterarder, and General Aſſembly of the Church of Scotland for *theſe ten years* paſt—The Author's letter to the Preſbytery, in anſwer to their queſtion about his neglecting to join with them in the Sacrament for nine years, except once—His Speech before the Aſſembly, and ſpecimens of his rejected diſcourſes—Alſo a letter and certificate from Profeſſor Traill—Certificates from the Author's paſh-ſeſſion, from his fellow-ſtudents, from thoſe with whom he lodged, and an ample certificate even from the Preſbytery of Auchterarder themſelves—His Diploma, ſubſcribed by all the Profeſſors of the Univerſity of Glaſgow—The famous ſpeeches of Meſſrs Thomſon, Chieſley, and others, before the Synod and Aſſembly—Amicus's ſtriking letter, from the *Caledonian Mercury*—Part of a letter written by the Author in March laſt to a certain EARL, in anſwer to his Lordſhip's letter about the ſettlement of a pariſh, wherein the Author's ſentiments about violent ſettlements have been ſuppoſed to be *the ſecret ſpring* which moved THE GREAT WHEELS of the General Aſſembly againſt him this year—A hint concerning Preſentations, which many think deſerve national attention—The Queſtions put to probationers immediately before granting licence explained—A copy of the *Formula*, with remarks, ſhewing that none who underſtand it can, with a good conſcience, either ſubſcribe it, or anſwer the previous queſtions—His letter to the publiſhers of the Evening Poſt, containing his challenge to Mr Wright for his ſpeech in that paper againſt the Author, at the bar of the General Aſſembly—An argument againſt Duelling, drawn from the acknowledged principles of honour—*Mahometan Juſtice* contraſted with *Chriſtian*, a ſtory *a propos*——Excerpts from ſeveral Engliſh letters to and concerning the Author, &c. &c.

☞ The Author having been adviſed to publiſh the Diſcourſes and Prayers which he delivered before the Preſbytery of Auchterarder, as the moſt certain method of affording the Public an opportunity to judge of the juſtice theſe diſcourſes have met with, intends, if a ſufficient number of ſubſcribers can be obtained, to comply with this advice of his friends. As part of theſe diſcourſes were not delivered, as ſome explanatory notes will be neceſſary, as objections may yet be made, and as the Author will acknowledge what he ſees wrong, as well as endeavour to juſtify what he ſees right, the real ſize of this publication cannot yet be aſcertained. Therefore, to fix the utmoſt bounds of the ſize and expence, there ſhall not be leſs than 60 pages for ſixpence, and the whole ſhall not exceed five ſhillings; to be delivered in ſtitched numbers, or ſewed in two or more volumes, when the whole is finiſhed; and the money to be paid on delivery.

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DUNDEE ARMS INN.

WILLIAM GORDON begs leave to return his moſt ſincere thanks to the Nobility, Gentry, and the Public in general, for their paſt favours; and being encouraged from the ſucceſs he has met with, has now fitted up thirty rooms, in the neateſt manner, with a coach-houſe, and ſtables for upwards of 40 horſes. The houſe was built for an Inn, itonly a few yards from the Bank, Poſt-office, Croſs, and Shore. There is a pier juſt now finiſhed, where paſſage-boats can ſet off at any time of tide.——Tickets are given out by him for the Fife Diligence every day; and on Mondays, Wedneſdays, and Fridays, for the Edinburgh and Aberdeen Fly. Tickets to Montroſe 6 s. 6d.

Thoſe who ſhall be pleaſed to frequent his houſe, may depend on the beſt of uſage, and every accommodation in his power. He now humbly ſolicits a continuation of their favours, who have formerly countenanced him, which ſhall be duly attended to, by their much obliged, and moſt obedient humble ſervant,

WILLIAM GORDON.

☞ Excellent Poſt-chaiſes and Horſes, with careful drivers.

STAGE-COACH BETWIXT KINGHORN AND KIRKCALDY,

To contain Five Paſſengers,

SETS out on Monday the 17th of September current, from Mr Wilſon's, at the ſign of the Ship, near the harbour of Kirkcaldy, to Kinghorn; and from Mrs Meldrum's at Kinghorn to Kirkcaldy, twice every day, and to anſwer the time of the tides. Each ſeat 6 d.

Luggage and parcels on moderate terms.

WRIGHTS HOUSES DISTRICT.

THE Convener of the Truſtees for Wrights Houſes diſtrict intimates to all concerned, That a Meeting of the ſaid Truſtees is to be held at Corſehouſe, on Saturday the 22d of September current, at twelve o'clock mid-day, to conſider the ſtate of the high roads in the Weſter part of that diſtrict;—and another Meeting of the ſaid Truſtees at Wrights Houſes on Saturday the 29th, at the ſame hour, to conſider the roads on the Eaſter part of the ſaid diſtrict: Whereof all concerned are hereby deſired to take notice.

Not to be repeated.

To DR SMYTH, *Suffolk-Street, near Charing Croſs, London.*

SIR,

AS I ſhall leave England in a few days, I beg leave to inform you, that I am happily recovered from the weak relaxed ſtate I was in, by taking your RESTORATIVE MEDICINE; and now enjoy better health and ſpirits than I have done for years paſt.

I intend taking ſome of your Medicines to ſea with me; and will ever retain a grateful ſenſe of the obligations I am under to you, for the particular attention you paid to my caſe. You may make what uſe you pleaſe of this letter; and I am, Sir,

Portſmouth, June 30. 1781. } Your very obliged humble ſervant, WILLIAM WHITE.

In the courſe of fourteen years, ſince the publication of this NEW MEDICINE, as well as before in private practice, nothing of the kind was ever known to be given with the like ſucceſs in gleets, weakneſſes, debility, &c. in either ſex, whether natural, or acquired by a certain deteſtable vice, too early or exceſſive venery, the effects of Mercury, frequent debauches, and in nervous complaints; alſo the diſeaſes occaſioned by a reſidence in a hot climate, and thoſe ſecret infirmities which attack perſons advancing in years, have been by this remedy removed, and the natural powers of the whole vital ſyſtem nouriſhed, comforted, and prolonged. It is by theſe virtues that the cauſes of impotency in one ſex, and barrenneſs in the other, have been removed by this medicine.

For a more particular account, read a treatiſe, juſt publiſhed, the Eighteenth edition, price 1 s. 6 d. (to be had where the medicine is ſold) wherein the above-mentioned diſorders are particularly deſcribed, and ſome remarkable caſes taken notice of.

The Reſtorative is to be had in bottles at 1 l. 1 s. and 10 s. 6d. each (with full directions) of Mr CHARLES ELLIOT Bookſeller in Edinburgh; and of the Doctor, in Suffolk-Street, near Charing-croſs, who may be conſulted perſonally, or by letter, poſt paid.

N. B. The Guinea bottles to be had only at the Doctor's.

BUTTERWORTH's WRITING SCHOOL,

HIGH SCHOOL YARDS.

AS the time of meeting of the HIGH SCHOOL CLASSES is now drawing near, Mr Butterworth, with the moſt grateful ſenſe of the favours he has already received, begs leave reſpectfully to remind Parents and others of his late appointment by the Magiſtrates as Writing Maſter, and of the room built and conveniently fitted up by them in the ſame area, for the uſe of ſuch Young Gentlemen of the High School as chuſe to attend him.

The peculiar advantages of ſituation will, on many accounts, recommend it. It will equally ſave the Young Gentlemen who are put under his care from unneceſſarily walking the wet ſtreets in the winter ſeaſon, ſo frequently injurious to their health; and from overheating themſelves in ſummer, not leſs injurious to their improvement in good writing. Mr Butterworth conſiders himſelf highly honoured by the approbation the ſpecimens of his ſcholars received at the late examination. From long experience he is convinced, that emulation among boys, under proper direction, is only neceſſary to ſtill greater proficiency; and, he begs to aſſure thoſe are pleaſed to intruſt him with that uſeful branch of their childrens education, that the ſame aſſiduous attention, upon his part, will ſtill be exerted to render himſelf worthy of the confidence repoſed in him.

N. B. Book-keeping and accompts taught at the ſame time with writing to thoſe who deſire it.

Mr Butterworth continues, at his houſe Carruber's Cloſe, to teach, as uſual, thoſe hours not allotted to the High School.

DESERTED

From a Recruiting Party belonging to his Majeſty's 21ſt Regiment of Foot, ſtationed at Dumbarton,

WILLIAM EDWARDS, by profeſſion a labourer, 20 years of age, 5 feet 6½ inches high; born in the pariſh of Linlithgow and county of Linlithgow; with a fair complexion, brown hair, and blue eyes. Had on, when he deſerted, a light blue coat, and a cocked hat, brown waiſtcoat, buckſkin breeches, and white ſtockings.

Whoever ſecures the ſaid deſerter, ſo as he may be brought to juſtice, ſhall receive from Lieutenant Fletcher of the 21ſt regiment, at Dumbarton, TWENTY SHILLINGS ſterling, over and above what is allowed by act of Parliament.

To be SOLD by Private Bargain,

A CARGO of IRON and DEALS, from Gottenburgh, landed at Kirkcaldy. Intending purchaſers may apply to Mr Sibbald of Abden, by Kinghorn, who will adviſe them of the quantity, and aſſortment of the cargo, and inform as to the terms.

Not to be repeated.

By Order of the Honourable Commiſſioners of the Cuſtoms,

THERE is to be expoſed to public roup, at the Cuſtom-houſe, Leith, on Thurſday the 20th inſtant, at twelve o'clock noon,

AN OLD CABLE.

NOTICE.

THAT the buſineſs carried on under the firm of GEORGE KIPPEN AND SON, Tobacconiſts in Glaſgow, is only tranſacted by GEORGE KIPPEN, who will execute any orders in that branch on the the beſt terms.

Glaſgow, 13th September 1781.

COPARTNERY DISSOLVED.

THE Copartnery carried on under the firm of NINIAN PAGAN, and COMPANY, Grocers, head of Forreſter Wynd, Edinburgh, being now diſſolved, it is intreated all perſons indebted to the Company will immediately make payment to George Pagan, one of the Copartners; and all perſons to whom the Company ſtand indebted will give in their claims to him, that the ſame may be ſettled.

The buſineſs is ſtill to be carried on by GEORGE PAGAN, in the ſame ſhop, who continues to deal in all kinds of Groceries, on the moſt moderate terms.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of JAMES HEDDERICK Tenant in Cameron.

THE Truſtees upon the ſequeſtrated perſonal eſtate of the ſaid James Hedderick hereby intimate, that a general meeting of the Creditors is to be held within the houſe of Andrew Finlay vintner in St Andrews, upon Monday the 24th day of September current, at twelve o'clock noon, when it is requeſted the whole creditors will attend, as the truſtees have matters of conſequence to lay before them for their advice and direction; particularly with regard to the ſale of the crop and ſtocking on the farm.

The Creditors are further requeſted to tranſmit immediately to Robert Methven writer in St Andrews, one of the truſtees, exact notes of their debts, that he may be enabled to make up and lay before the meeting a full ſtate of the debts owing by the bankrupt.—*Not to be repeated.*

From the PENNSYLVANIA JOURNAL, *June 21.*

Extract of a letter from Major-General Green, dated Camp at Little River, near Ninety-ſix, June 20. 1781.

"In my letter of the 9th, I informed your Excellency, that the enemy had received a conſiderable reinforcement at Charleſtown, and that I was apprehenſive they would march and interrupt our operations. On the 11th I got intelligence they were advancing; I immediately advanced all the cavalry, with orders to General Sumpter to collect all the force he could, and keep in their front, and by every means in his power to retard their march. The enemy paſſed him at Congaree before he got his troops in motion; afterwards he found it impracticable to gain the front. It was my intention to have fought them before they arrived at Ninety-ſix, could I have collected a force ſufficient for the purpoſe.

"We had puſhed on our approaches very near to the enemy's works, our third parallel was formed round their abattis, a mine and two approaches were within a few feet of the ditch. Theſe approaches were directed againſt the Star Fort, which ſtands upon the left of the town; as we approached it from the Saluda. On the right, our approaches were very near the enemy's redoubt; this was a ſtrong ſtockade fort with two blockhouſes in it. Theſe two works flanked the town, which is picketed in with ſtrong pickets, a ditch round the whole, and a bank raiſed near the height of a common parapet. Beſides theſe fortifications, there were ſeveral little finiſhes in different parts of the town, and all the works communicated with each other by covered ways. We had raiſed ſeveral batteries for cannon, one upwards of twenty feet high, within 120 yards of the Star Fort, to command the works, and a rifle battery alſo within 30 yards, to prevent the enemy from annoying our workmen. For the laſt ten days, not a man could ſhew his head but he was immediately ſhot down, and the fire was almoſt inceſſant day and night. In this ſtage of the approaches, I found the enemy ſo near us, that it would be impoſſible to reduce the place without hazarding a ſtorm. This, from the peculiar ſtrength of the place, could only be warranted by the ſucceſs of a partial attempt to make a lodgment on one of the curtains of the Star redoubt, and a vigorous puſh to carry the right-hand work. The diſpoſition was accordingly formed, and the attack made; Lieutenant-Colonel Lee, with his legion of infantry, and Captain Kirkwood's light infantry, made the attack on the right; and Lieutenant-Colonel Campbell, with the firſt Maryland and the firſt Virginia regiments, was to have ſtormed the Star redoubt, which is their principal work, and ſtands upon the left; the parapet of this work is near twelve feet high, and raiſed with ſand bags near three feet more. Lieutenant Duvall, of the Maryland line, and Lieutenant Selden, of the Virginia line, led on the forlorn hope, followed by a party with hooks to pull down the ſand bags, the better to enable them to make the lodgment. A furious cannonade preluded the attack. On the right the enemy were driven out of their works, and our people took poſſeſſion of it; on the left, never was greater bravery exhibited than by the parties led on by Duval and Selden; but they were not ſo ſucceſsful. They entered the enemy's ditch, and made every exertion to get down the ſand bags, which, from the depth of the ditch, height of the parapet, and under a galling fire, was rendered difficult. Finding the enemy defended their works with great obſtinacy, and ſeeing but little proſpect of ſucceeding without heavy loſs, I ordered the attack to be puſhed no further.

"The behaviour of the troops on this occaſion deſerves the higheſt commendation; both the officers that entered the ditch were wounded, and the greater part of their men were either killed or wounded. I have only to lament that ſuch brave men fell in an unſucceſsful attempt.

"Captain Armſtrong, of the firſt Maryland regiment, was killed, and Captain Benſon, who commanded the regiment, was wounded at the head of the trenches. In both attacks we had upwards of 40 men killed and wounded; the loſs was principally at the Star Fort, and in the enemy's ditch, the other parties being all under cover. The attack was continued three quarters of an hour, and as the enemy was greatly expoſed to the fire of the rifle battery and artillery, they muſt have ſuffered greatly. Our artillery was well ſerved, and I believe did great execution.

"The troops have undergone incredible hardſhips during the ſiege, and though the iſſue was not ſucceſsful, I hope their exertions will merit the approbation of Congreſs.

"We continued the ſiege until the enemy got within a few miles of us, having previouſly ſent off all our ſick, wounded, and ſpare ſtores.

"Incloſed is a liſt of our killed and wounded during the ſiege."

Return of the Killed, Wounded, and Miſſing, during the Siege of Ninety-ſix, in South Carolina:

Non-commiſſioned Officers, and rank and file.
Virginia brigade; killed, 41; wounded, 33; miſſing, 16.
Maryland brigade; killed, 12; wounded, 24; miſſing, 3.
Light infantry; killed, 1; wounded, 9; miſſing, 1.
Legion infantry; killed, 2; wounded, 2.
Virginia militia; killed, 1; wounded, 2.
Total: Killed, 57; wounded, 70; miſſing, 20.

Captain Armſtrong, of the Maryland line, killed; Captain Benſon and Lieutenant Duvall, wounded.

Captain Bentley, of the Virginia line, priſoner; Lieutenants Evans, Miller, and Selden, wounded.

Colonel Koſciuſzko, Chief Engineer, was ſlightly wounded.

O. H. WILLIAMS, D. A. G.

Publiſhed by order of Congreſs,

CHARLES THOMSON, Secretary.

Tueſday evening laſt, arrived the brig Triſtram Shandy, laden with wine, &c. from Teneriff, bound to this port, but was captured by a Britiſh cruizer, and retaken by the Riſing Sun, Captain Caſſon. (Colonel Cruger of New York commanded at Ninety-ſix.)

From the London Papers, Sept 10.

Madrid, Aug. 14. We have received advice, that the Duke de Crillon made good his landing at Minorca, the 23d of last month, without opposition. We wish success to the enterprize, and hope the conſequences of an enterprize, as bold as it is important.

LONDON

Extract of a letter from Paris, Auguſt 29.

"The Court of Aids in the Parliament of Paris have not as yet thought proper to regiſter the King's edict, for impoſing the new duty of two ſous per livre: They ſay the tax is improperly laid, and can never be efficient. On the other hand, the Farmers-General are remonſtrating; they had never dreamt of a new tax when they renewed their leaſe. Theſe gentlemen wiſh that the Miniſters would recollect what happened in the adminiſtration of Monſ. de Boullongue, who having contrived to lay a new duty on ſo eſſential and capital an article of conſumption as tobacco, was obliged, inſtead of collecting the duty, to remit to the Farmers-General eight millions of livres of the money they were to have paid for farming the revenues. They at preſent pledge themſelves, from paſt experience, that Miniſters will be obliged to do the ſame in the preſent inſtance, if they ſhould unwiſely perſevere in adviſing the King to ſtand to his edict.

"We have not yet heard a word about the Duke de Crillon's expedition; but we are in expectation that the firſt ſhip that arrives at Marſeilles will bring ſome important news from his Excellency."

When Vice-Admiral Darby is joined by the ſquadron under Commodore Stewart and the ſhips already under orders to join him, the grand fleet will conſiſt of the undermentioned ſhips:

Britannia,	—	100	Bellona,	—	74
Victory,	—	100	Berwick,	—	74
Royal George,		100	Dublin,	—	74
Queen,	—	98	Hercules,	—	74
Duke,	—	98	Yarmouth,	—	74
Formidable,	—	98	Inflexible,	—	64
Ocean,	—	90	Medway,	—	64
Namur,	—	90	Repulſe,	—	64
Union,	—	90	Bienfaiſant,	—	64
Foudroyant,		80	Prothee,	—	64
Princeſs Amelia,		80	Agamemnon,		64
Alexander,	—	74	Africa,	—	64
Conqueror,	—	74	Sampſon,	—	64
Defence,	—	74	Scepter,	—	64
Edgar,	—	74	Nonſuch,	—	64
Courageux,	—	74	Buffalo,	—	60
Marlborough,		74	Aſſiſtance,	—	50
Valiant,	—	74	Preſton,	—	50
Fortitude,	—	74	Rotterdam,	—	50
Arrogant,	—	74			
				Total	39

ſail of the line, including three fifties.

Neither the Eaſt India Company or Government have received any account of the capture of the iſland of St Helena, as mentioned in ſome of Saturday's papers.

The Dutch Eaſt India Company have remitted to Paris 50,000 livres, as part of the ſubſidy of 300,000, which they engaged to pay to France, for the firſt expedition, which the latter undertook for the protection of the ſettlements of the former in India, ſince the rupture between Holland and England.

From the LONDON GAZETTE *Sept.* 11.

St James's, September 11. 1781.

THIS morning a meſſenger arrived at the office of the Earl of Hilſborough, one of his Majeſty's principal Secretaries of State, with a letter to his Lordſhip from Sir Horace Mann, Bart. K. B. his Majeſty's Envoy Extraordinary at Florence, incloſing a letter from Lieutenant-General Murray, Governor of Minorca, dated St Philip's Caſtle, Auguſt 19. in which the Governor gives an account, that a diviſion of the Spaniſh fleet and tranſports was puſhing that morning to the eaſt part of the harbour of Mahon, with an intention, as was ſuppoſed, to land troops in that quarter; and that another diviſion appeared to be going to the weſt part of the harbour. The Governor adds, that he had been for ſome time apprized of the intention of the enemy, was perfectly prepared to receive them; that the garriſon was in high health and ſpirits, and that he had no doubt of making a vigorous reſiſtance.

War-Office, September 11. 1781.

15th Regiment of light dragoons, Captain George Churchill to be Major, vice James Telfer. Lieutenant William Martin to be Captain of a troop, vice George Churchill. Cornet Samuel Wright to be Lieutenant, vice William Martin.

20th Regiment of light dragoons, Cornet Robert Waugh, of 2d dragoons, to be Lieutenant, vice Henry Marſhall.

Coldſtream regiment of Foot Guards, Captain John Edwards Fremantle to be Adjutant, vice George Gibſon.

2d Regiment of foot, Samuel Vannam Lloyd, Gent. to be Enſign, vice John Auſten.

10th Regiment of foot, Charles Cumberland, Gent. to be Enſign, vice William Baker.

25th Regiment of foot, Enſign John Roſs to be Lieutenant, vice William Carruthers. Joſeph Cookſon, Gent. to be Enſign, vice John Roſs.

52d Regiment of foot, Enſign Harry Barnes, of the Worceſterſhire militia, to be Enſign, vice John Fothergill.

63d Regiment of foot, Waſtel Cliffe, Gent. to be Enſign in one of the Additional Companies, vice John Biſſet.

75th Regiment of foot, Lieutenant James Weſt, from half pay in the late 122d regiment, to be Lieutenant, vice William Wilſon.

89th Regiment of foot, Lieutenant Samuel Edwards to be Captain, vice Honourable Robert Bellenden. Enſign Alexander Duke to be Lieutenant, vice Samuel Edwards. Enſign George Wightman, of the Cinque Ports corps, to be Enſign, vice Alexander Duke. John Baillie, Gent. to be Enſign, vice Alexander Leith.

93d Regiment of foot, James Ramſay, Gent. to be Enſign, vice John Delap Halliday.

Major-Commandant Dalrymple's corps of foot, Enſign Francis Pyne to be Lieutenant, vice William Sheldon. William Prendergraſs, Gent. to be Enſign, vice Francis Pyne. Enſign George Lodewick Schrater to be Lieutenant, vice William Gale Coke. Martin Dalrymple, Gent. to be Enſign, vice William Liſter.

Royal Lancaſter Volunteers, John Humphreys, Gent. to be Enſign, vice Samuel Ruſh.

Earl Fauconberg's regiment of Foot, Richard Towne, Gent. to be Enſign, vice Charles Moll.

Independent Company of foot, Lieutenant William Carruthers, of 25th foot, to be Captain.

Independent Company of foot, Lieutenant Chriſtopher Aldworth, of 34th foot, to be Captain. William Creagh, Gent. to be Enſign.

Enſign Henry Pemberton, of 81ſt foot, to be Lieutenant in Captain Robert Garden's Independent Company of foot.

INTELLIGENCE FROM LLOYD'S, *Sept.* 11.

The Hope, Buſhell, from Cork to New-York, was taken the 19th of July by an American letter of marque, and ſent to Philadelphia.

The Swift, Le Fevre, from Jerſey to Quebec, was taken on the Banks of Newfoundland by the Perus American privateer of 20 guns, which had before taken a brig from London bound to Hallifax, laden with bale goods.

The Sappho, Fotheringham, from Chriſtianſound to Belfaſt, is arrived, after being ranſomed for 500 l. by a French privateer, which is ſince taken with the ranſomer on board.

Lymington 6. Since my laſt paſſed the Union armed cutter, Capt. Moppet, with ſtores for Gibraltar.

The Fanny, Koxborough, and the reſt of the fleet from London, were at Barbadoes the 18th of July.

The Vrow Margretta, Peters, from Holſtein and Newcaſtle with coals, glaſs, &c. was drove on ſhore at Whitby the 5th inſt. and entirely loſt; part of the cargo ſaved.

The Warners, Barr, of Glaſgow, from Dublin for Memel, is arrived at Elſinore, after being taken by La Gloire, of Dunkirk, and ranſomed for 350 guineas.

The Lightning privateer of Liverpool, Captain Walker, has taken and ſent into Kinſale, a Swediſh ſhip, of about 500 tons, called the Schwardt Fiſch, Hackwerdt, from Bourdeaux, bound to St Domingo, with bale goods, flour, &c. value as per invoice amounts to 330,118 livres.

The Roſalie, Mouris, from Martinique to Marſeilles, laden with ſugar, coffee, &c. prize to the Euphrates of London, arrived at Portſmouth, the 8th inſt.

The Adamant, Wyat, and St Lawrence, Edwards, from London to Halifax, put into Falmouth the 4th inſt.

The Porcupine, Irvin, from St Kitt's to New-York, is taken and carried into Philadelphia, per New-York paper.

The St Joaquim E. Sta Anna, Oliveira, from Oporto to Hamburg, was loſt in the ſtorm of the 21ſt of Auguſt, near the iſland Rottam, 24 miles northward of the Texel, and only the Captain and two men ſaved out of 17.

The Trial, Lipſon, from Workington to Dublin; the Speedwell, Laurence, from ditto to ditto and Cork, are taken and ranſomed; the former for 450 l. the latter for 300 guineas; the John, Mortimer, from Liverpool for Penzance, for 150 guineas; the John, Watſon, from Wexford for Whitehaven, for 300 ditto; the Johnſton, Alexander, from Leverpool to Cork, for 300 l. the Elizabeth, Hodgſon, from Neverſton to Newnham, for 280 guineas; the Hope, Peters, from Cardiff for Dublin, for 100 l. the Janie, Man, from Cork to Liverpool; the James and Ann, Dawſon, from Wicklow for Bradſkay; the Molly, Barrow, from Ulverſtone for Cardiff, for 200 guineas each; the Fowell, Huddleſton, from Dublin to Whitehaven, for 200 l. the James and Ann, Bell, from Maryport to Newry, for 100 guineas; the Speedwell, Mitchell, from Guernſey to Crectown, for 500 l. the George Walker, from Ulverſtone to Cardiff, for 375 guineas, all by the Chardon privateer; alſo the Mary and Betty, Cunningham, from Newry to Cheſter, for 130 l. The ranſomers arrived at Morlaix.

The Little Ben, Hayes, arrived at Plymouth the 3d inſt. after being chaſed by a large frigate ſuppoſed to belong to the combined fleets.

AMERICAN NEWS.

An authentic ACCOUNT of the ATTEMPT of the FRENCH on the Poſt at Lloyd's Neck.

Extract of a letter to his Excellency Governor Franklin, from Lieutenant Colonel Upham, of the Aſſociated Loyaliſts, and Commandant at Lloyd's Neck, dated Fort Franklin, July 13. 1781.

"I take the earlieſt opportunity to inform the Honourable Board of Directors, that early yeſterday morning I received intelligence, that three large ſhips, and five armed brigs, and other veſſels, were in Huntingdon harbour. At eight o'clock, about 450 troops, chiefly French, landed at the back of the Neck, about two miles diſtance from the fort. At eleven, they formed in our front, at the diſtance of 400 yards in open view.

"As I was uncertain of their number, and was apprehenſive they would poſſeſs themſelves of a height on our right, from which they might have annoyed us, I ordered ſome grape-ſhot to be fired at them from two twelve-pounders, which ſoon threw them into diſorder, and occaſioned a very ſudden, and, I humbly conceive, a very diſgraceful retreat to their ſhips. We have no other evidence of the effect of our fire than ſome few fragments of coats and ſhirts, and the graſs beſmeared with blood. They left, on the ground where they halted, to dreſs their wounded, a number of ſurgeon's inſtruments, a great quantity of lint bandages, &c. bayonet, ſword, and a very large quantity of port fire, and other materials for burning our houſes.

"I had ſent into the wood, brough which they muſt paſs, ſeveral ſmall parties for the purpoſe of reconnoitering, and, at the ſame time, to gall them, and deceive them as to our numbers. The effect convinced me of the propriety of this meaſure, as they re-embarked with great precipitation. We conſtantly ſcoured the wood until night came on. I then mounted a few refugees, who patroled the Neck, and kept a good look-out at all the landings. Several whale-boats appeared coming from Stanford, and other parts of Connecticut, towards evening, which gave me reaſon to expect another attack: I therefore ordered the refugees of my command to lay on their arms during the night.

"I have now the pleaſure to inform you, that the ſhips, &c. are under way ſo far eaſtward as hardly to be deſcried. We have ſuffered no loſs either in men, ſhipping, or property of any ſort. I think it my duty to add, that the refugees, and others, who remained on the Neck, behaved with a ſpirit that would moſt probably have inſured ſucceſs againſt a much greater force than appeared to face us.

"Major Hubbil, and the other officers of the garriſon, afforded every poſſible aſſiſtance. Captain Hoyt, in the Sir Henry Clinton, was very ſerviceable to us. Captain Thomas, in the Aſſociation, had not returned from convoying a wood fleet to City Iſland.

"I called on the Huntingdon militia, but ſaw nothing of them, nor was I diſappointed. Captain Young's troop, and Captain Vanwick's company of foot, came laſt evening to our aſſiſtance; they poſted themſelves on Weſt Neck, and behaved exceedingly well. Many refugees in our vicinity came likewiſe to our aſſiſtance, and the whole garriſon were, from the firſt appearance of the French, in the beſt ſpirits imaginable."

From the NEW-YORK GAZETTE.

New-York, July 24.

GENERAL ORDERS.

In conſequence of the Commander in Chief's report of the expedition under Brigadier-General Arnold, to Cheſapeak, in January laſt, his Excellency has received a letter from Lord George Germaine, one of his Majeſty's principal Secretaries of State, of which the following is an extract:

"I have received the King's commands to ſignify to you his Majeſty's pleaſure, that you do acquaint Brigadier-General Arnold, Lieutenant Colonels Dundas and Simcoe, and the other officers and ſoldiers under his command, that their conduct and behaviour are approved of by his Majeſty."

His Excellency the Commander in Chief has been pleaſed to appoint Major-Generals Leſlie and Campbell to act as Lieutenant-Generals till his Majeſty's pleaſure ſhall be known.

His moſt Serene Highneſs the Landgrave of Heſſe has been pleaſed to confer the order of *Pour la Vertu Militaire*, or order of merit, on the following officers, viz. Major-General de Knoblauch, Col. de Seitz, Col. de Bunau, Col. de Weſterhagen, Col. de Romrod, Col. de Kendell, Col. de Cochenhauſen.

Col. Chehenhauſen is appointed to the command of the regiment Prince Hereditaire. Lieutenant-Colonel du Buy is appointed Quarter-Maſter General. Major-Generals De Loſberg and De Boſe to be Lieutenant-Generals. Capt. Von Altenbockurn, of Gen. Loſberg, ſen. to be Major of the Corps.

A large French ſhip of 600 tons is taken and carried into Hallifax by his Majeſty's frigate Charles Town: She is a very valuable prize from Old France, and was one of the fleet of 14 ſail that arrived at Boſton ſome time ſince, but was blown from her anchors at the Light-houſe in a violent gale of wind; ſhe was laden with clothing, proviſions, arms, and a great quantity of flour.

We are informed that yeſterday morning, at four o'clock, about 1000 rebels, in 50 whale-boats, croſſed the North River at Dobb's Ferry, and landed near Colonel Philip's; a reconnoitring party of Britiſh and Heſſians, in number ſuppoſed about 200, fell in with them, killed (as we are informed) nine, and took four or five priſoners, and returned without any loſs. We have not yet any clear account of this affair, nor of the ſituation of the rebels who are collecting, with a few Frenchmen, in the rear of our garriſon, only that they are ſuppoſed to be on a foraging plan; their head quarters are at the White Plains. A Colonel Butler, ſuppoſed an eaſterling, has been knocked on the head in one of the alerts on the Hudſon.

Thurſday was ſent in here by one of his Majeſty's ſhips, the rebel frigate General Waſhington, ——— Walker, maſter, mounting 18 ſix and 4 three-pounders. She had 115 men on board, was built at Baltimore, fitted out at Rhode-Iſland, and had cruized ſix weeks without taking any Britiſh veſſel, except a ſnow from Glaſgow, bound for this port, which was retaken by one of our cruizers.

From the London Papers, Sept. 11.

LONDON.

From the beſt information we have been able to procure, we have reaſon to conclude that the combined fleets have moved from their ſituation off Scilly, farther to the weſtward.

The Roebuck packet, which arrived yeſterday from the Leeward iſlands, ſailed from St Euſtatia the 4th of Auguſt, and brings advice, that the homeward-bound fleet ſailed the 1ſt of Auguſt under convoy of the Panther man of war of 60 guns, and two frigates. She likewiſe brings a confirmation of Le Graſſe having ſailed from Martinico with 25 ſail of the line, and a large fleet of merchantmen, on the 27th of July, and that it was generally believed he meant to convoy them to St Domingo, and afterwards to eſcort their homeward-bound fleet from thence to a certain latitude, and then proceed to Rhode-iſland to join Monſ. Barraſs. Our fleet conſiſting of 20 line of battle ſhips had left the iſlands, and it was ſuppoſed were gone to New-York.

We are happy to inform our readers, that when the Speedy packet ſailed from New-York, which was the 31ſt of July, they had not received any advice from Jamaica of the fleet having ſailed from Port Royal; and as a number of veſſels, bound to New-York, intending taking the benefit of the convoy to a certain latitude, we have great reaſon to imagine that the fleet did not ſail at the time appointed, or that they were not able to make the windward paſſage, either of which circumſtances would be deemed a favourable omen at the preſent juncture.

We have authority to aſſure the public, that the paragraph inſerted in ſeveral papers yeſterday of Commodore Steuart's ſquadron being arrived at Portſmouth, is entirely falſe. The Berwick and Fortitude are the only ſhips at preſent ready for ſea, and they ſailed yeſterday morning for Sheerneſs, with orders to proceed immediately to the North Seas, to join the Samſon, Africa, and the Bellona man of war, and the remaining part of the ſquadron will follow them as ſoon as poſſible. *Eng. Chron.*

A report was current laſt night at the weſt end of the town, that Admiral Rodney ſailed from St Kitt's the latter end of July in a frigate for England, and that he was hourly expected to arrive; likewiſe that Gen. Vaughan was a paſſenger in the homeward-bound fleet. *Ibid.*

The New-York packet having met with contrary winds, was nearly ſix weeks coming home, which is conſidered as a very long paſſage, when it has often been run in twenty days.

One of the New-York Gazettes, brought over by the laſt packet from that quarter, dated July the 7th, has the following article, which however, as no confirmation have been received of it by the accounts recently received in the Roebuck, muſt certainly be premature:

"By the gentlemen arrived laſt night from Havana, we are "informed, that on the 20th of June a brigantine arrived there "from Windward, by which information was brought that an "action at ſea had been fought between Admiral Rodney and "the Count de Graſſe, the event of which terminated greatly in "favour of the Britiſh. Sir George Rodney took ſix 70 and "two 64 gun ſhips; the Britiſh loſt two ſhips; no other parti-"culars were then known at Havana. This intelligence, "brought to that port in about ſix days, was credited by the "Spaniards, and, *haud credibile*, our quondam old friends "there ſeemed very heartily *rejoiced* at the diſgrace of the "French."

The whole of the reinforcements now getting in readineſs for America are deſtined for South Carolina, and are as follow, viz. of the guards 1200; diſmounted horſe, with their accoutrements, and to be provided with horſes in America, 1500; Colonel Thompſon's legion, to be raiſed of loyaliſts, which is to conſiſt of 1200; with five regiments of infantry from Ireland. A force which it is expected will be able to ſecure the peace of Carolina, and to check any further progreſs of the Spaniards to the northward.

A ſecret and important expedition was propoſed at the Board of Admiralty on Friday laſt, and which has ſince met with the concurrence of his Majeſty and the Cabinet Council. The land forces will conſiſt of near 20,000 men, who are to be marched down to Portſmouth, where a powerful ſquadron is ordered to be got in immediate readineſs to cover the tranſports, on board of which they are to embark. A train of 100 pieces of cannon, with all other neceſſary implements, are to be ſhipped on board the men of war for the above expedition, which, it is expected, will be complete, and ready to put to ſea within a fortnight.

This day ſome diſpatches were received from Admiral Darby at Torbay, by which we are informed, that the grand fleet were all unmoored, and under way, on Sunday morning.

The reſolution to fight the combined fleets is fixed, and if the French and Spaniards ſhould feel bold enough to face Admiral Darby, we may ſoon expect to hear of an engagement.

The wind having ſhifted to the eaſt, gives an opportunity for the ſhips to the eaſtward of Torbay to join Admiral Darby, and if he has orders to put to ſea, he may pick up the Plymouth ſhips in paſſing; ſo that the public will not be long in ſuſpence about his inſtructions. If our account is juſt, he will be in a ſtate to face Don Cordova, or Monſ. Guichen; and may get in time to ſee our Weſt-India fleets, with their convoy, home in ſafety.

As a general engagement between the Britiſh fleet and the grand fleets of France and Spain, is alone likely to terminate the war; and as, ſooner or later, ſuch an engagement moſt probably will happen, it is hoped that Admiral Darby may be fortunate enough to engage the 36 ſail only, now off Scilly, in which caſe we may promiſe ourſelves a complete victory.

It is the opinion of thoſe politicians about court who pretend to be in the ſecret, that we ſhall neither have any engagement with the combined fleets this ſeaſon, nor will our India fleets be captured.

The following anſwer was ſent by the Right Hon. Lord North, to the Right Hon. Lord George Gordon:

"Lord North's compliments to Lord George Gordon: If "his Lordſhip has any book to preſent to the King, he muſt "preſent it at the levee.

"*Wrexton, Sept.* 8. 1781.

EDINBURGH.

Extract of a letter from London, September 11.

"It is at length decided, that Commodore Stewart ſhall join Admiral Darby, leaving the operations in the North Seas to chance. The truth is, that as a ſufficient number of ſhips cannot be ſpared to oppoſe the Dutch, they are to be entirely left alone, pleading the excuſe, that, to ſtrengthen Darby is of far more conſequence. This is the preſent political maxim of the Admiralty; though the commander of that ſquadron has all along, till the preſent moment, been led to believe his ſtation was to be in the Northern Seas.

"The combined fleets are not only ſuperior in point of number to us, but they have more capital ſhips. They conſiſt of 10 three-deckers, and 22 ſeventy-fours. Admiral Darby, with Commodore Stewart's ſhips, and every other reinforcement, are only 9 three-deckers, 2 of eighty guns, and 16 ſeventy-fours.

"It is now believed that the Latona, Captain Sir Hyde Parker, is totally loſt, no accounts having been heard of her. She was a ſhip of 38 guns, and launched only laſt Spring.

"There are the moſt authentic vouchers from Holland, that the convoy juſt ready to ſail for the Baltic conſiſts of 14 capital ſhips, as they have the double purpoſe of ſeeing this valuable fleet ſafe to the Sound, and to bring back the Eaſt-Indiamen from the ports of Norway.

"The Yarmouth, which is put in the line as a 74 gun ſhip, is only an old 60, nearly worn out, and of equal metal with the Buffaloe.

"There is great expectation that Lord George Gordon will be at the levee either to-morrow, or on Friday, to preſent the book from the different Proteſtant Aſſociations in Scotland.

"A large cutter of about 20 guns, built two years ago, at Brent in Dorſetſhire, which was bought by the Dutch, is ſent as a packet from Amſterdam to the Eaſt-Indies.

"The Bellona of 74, Africa of 64, and Sampſon of 64 guns, are now in the North Seas. Commodore Stewart's ſquadron conſiſts of the Princeſs Amelia of 80, Fortitude of

74, Berwick of 74, Beinfaisant of 64, Buffaloe of 60, Prest on of 50, and Dolphin of 44 guns.

"This day his Excellency the Ruſſian Ambaſſador went to Kew, where he had a conference with his Majeſty, on occaſion of ſome diſpatches from Peterſburgh.

"Admiral Kempenfelt's offer to ſerve under Admiral Darby has been accepted, and he is gone to take a command in the grand fleet.

"Letters from Venice mention, that their advices from the Levant, relative to the plage, are very afflicting; it makes the moſt extraordinary ravages; almoſt all the Turkiſh iſles are afflicted with it: at Alexandria above 100 perſons die in a day, and at Cairo above 1000.

"A letter from Meſſina, dated July 29, has the following paragraph: "A few days ago arrived at Malta, from Alexandria, a ſhip which was bound to Barbary with a cargo valued at near 40,000 ducats. On her leaving Syria ſhe had on board eleven Turkiſh merchants and fifteen ſailors; but of theſe 26 men, eleven died in the paſſage. The Grand Maſter ſent the remaining fifteen men to the Lazaret, and ſet the veſſel on fire, without permitting any part of the effects to be taken out. This event determined the Tribunal for the preſervation of health at Palermo, to prohibit, for a certain time, all communication with the Maltese."

"Advice was on Monday received from Jerſey, that a cartel ſhip is arrived there from Breſt, by which it is learned, that five men of war and two frigates are returned into that harbour, having had their maſts and bowſprits ſplit in a thunder-ſtorm, and received other damage; and that ſome other ſhips, likewiſe damaged, were hourly expected there to be repaired.

"The Beinfaiſant and Princeſs Amelia have been found ſo much ſhattered in their maſts and rigging, that they are obliged to be replaced with new, which is the cauſe that Keith Steuart is not as yet ſailed from the Nore."

The following articles are copied from the New York Gazette.

New York, July 28. "We learn from Albany, that one thouſand boats are conſtructing there, and the troops in that country had been ordered down to join Mr Waſhington's, the French Lieutenant-General's army, and proceed to the attack of the city, the plunder of which, *when in his poſſeſſion*, has been *again* promiſed to his ſoldiers. From the ſame quarter we have accounts of great alarms from the Canadians and Indians, who have killed and carried away many of their troops, and of thoſe inhabitants who have diſtinguiſhed themſelves by their cruelties to, and implacable treatment of, the King's friends. No currency will paſs in that quarter; nothing but gold and ſilver, which are inexpreſſibly ſcarce.

New York, July 30. "General Waſhington's poſition is from Dobb's Ferry to the Bronx, nineteen miles from Kingſbridge; and the reports there are, that he is waiting for the arrival of a French fleet to attack New York by ſea, when he will immediately commence hoſtilities by land with all his force. The French fleet in the Weſt Indies conſiſts of 26 ſail of the line, and it is probable ſome of them may pay Rhode-Iſland a viſit in the hurricane months; but is it to be ſuppoſed that Sir George Brydges Rodney, who has under his command 22 ſhips of the line, will not keep a vigilant eye over the motions of the Count de Graſſe, and wherever he may ſteer, ſend a force after him ſufficient to defeat his intentions? The public may be aſſured he will; and that an addition to our preſent naval force is ſhortly expected from more quarters than one.

"We are well aſſured, that, about a month ſince, no leſs than 24 pilots for the coaſt of America ſailed from Rhode Iſland for the French Weſt India iſlands, for what purpoſe time will evince.

"The laſt of the garriſon of Penſacola arrived here on Monday: On their way hither they were taken off the Delaware by the Holker and Fair American, two rebel privateers, and ordered for Philadelphia, but a few days after were retaken by the privateer ſchooner General Arnold, Captain Lawton, and Surprize, Captain Roſs, of this port, and ſent in here.

"The Congreſs, it is ſaid, had given orders for the capturing all the Spaniſh flags that had any of the garriſon of Penſacola on board, as by the capitulation of that place the troops taken there might act againſt the Americans, as the Spaniards were not in alliance with the United States.

"Captain Pulley, in a brig from this port for Tortola, was taken a few days ago by a rebel privateer, but was retaken the ſame day by his Majeſty's frigate Orpheus, and ſent in here laſt Friday."

Yeſterday was married at Addiſton, Mr Lachlan Duff, writer to the ſignet, to Miſs Rachel Hog, ſecond daughter of Roger Hog of Newliſton, Eſq;

This day, came on the election of Deacons of the fourteen incorporated Trades of this City, when the following Gentlemen were choſen:

Meſſ. William Chalmer, Surgeons, continued.
Archibald Ochiltree, Goldſmiths, continued.
Thomas Greig, Skinners.
Thomas Kennedy, Furriers, continued.
William Fraſer, Hammermen.
William Brodie, Wrights.
George Chalmers, Maſons.
Thomas Hunter, Tailors.
William Young, Baxters.
James Robertſon, Fleſhers.
Thomas Malcolm, Cordners, continued.
Charles Maclaggan, Weavers, continued.
John Douglas, Wawkers.
Robert Wemyſs, Bonnetmakers.

This forenoon, marched down from the Caſtle, eſcorted by a party of the 25th regiment, eighty-eight Spaniſh priſoners, to be put on board a cartel ſhip, now lying at Leith, to carry them to Spain. They were in high health and ſpirits.

The Jeanie, Dunlop, from Clyde for Cork and New York, is taken. The Captain is arrived at Cherburgh.

The Jeanie, Hunter, is arrived at Barbadoes from Newfoundland.

The Phœnix, Cunningham, belonging to Glaſgow, is arrived at Newfoundland, as is the whole fleet that laſt ſailed from York for that place.

The ſhip William letter of marque, Captain Smith, belonging to Glaſgow, on her voyage from Newfoundland to Oporto took a Daniſh veſſel, bound from Genoa to Amſterdam, loaded with tobacco, rice, maccaroni, &c. and has ſent her to Clyde.

William Brodie and James Yuil, priſoners in the tolbooth of Glaſgow, have received a criminal indictment to ſtand trial before the enſuing circuit there, for ſtreet-robbery.

Wedneſday, the Univerſity of Edinburgh conferred the degree of Doctor in Medicine on the following gentlemen, after having gone through their private and public trials:—The titles of their inaugural diſſertations are annexed to their names:

From IRELAND.

Mr George Maclenachan—*Quædam de vino.*

Of GREAT BRITAIN.

Mr William Liſter—*De fermentatione.*
Mr James Home—*De ſcorbuto.*
Mr Archibald Lindſay—*De plantarum incrementi cauſis.*
Mr John Johnſton—*De apoplexia ſanguinea.*
Mr William Harriſon—*De lue venerea.*
Mr Charles Stuart—*De ſyſtematis nervoſi officiis.*
Mr John Winterbottom—*De vaſis abſorbentibus.*

Thurſday, arrived in the Forth a fleet from the Baltic. The Scots ſhips amount to about thirty ſail; they are chiefly from Riga and Memel. They left the Sound with a fleet for England of about a hundred ſail, under convoy of a 64 gun ſhip and ſome frigates, who proceeded for England with the trade. The ſafe arrival of this valuable fleet, which is moſtly loaded with naval ſtores, is an event of great importance at this critical juncture.

Yeſterday, arrived in Leith Roads, from Elſinore, his Majeſty's frigate Venus.

The HADDINGTON ASSEMBLY is to be held on Wedneſday the 19th inſtant, to begin at ſeven o'clock.

Edinburgh, Sept. 15. 1781.

To the LADIES *and* GENTLEMEN *in this City and Neighbourhood.*

Great preparations are made at St Marys Chapel, Niddery's Wynd, for a NEW GRAND EXHIBITION, which will be performed by MR BRESLAW, MISS ROSOMOND, &c. &c. on Monday and Tueſday next, the 17th and 18th inſtants, in the evenings, to begin preciſely at Seven o'clock. The particulars of thoſe variety of performances will be expreſſed in the bills. The room will be elegantly illuminated, and commodiouſly prepared.——Tickets to be had at the Coffee-houſes and principal inns. Places to be taken (or any perſon inclinable to learn) by applying to MR BRESLAW, at Mrs LINDSAY's, oppoſite Bridge Street, firſt land below the Tron Church, third door.

Extract of a letter from Inverneſs, Sept. 10. 1781.

"The Circuit Court of Juſticiary was opened here by Lord Kaimes, on Wedneſday laſt the 5th current. The perſons tried were, 1. Alexander and John Mackenzies, in Roſs-ſhire, for deforcing a meſſenger in the execution of his duty, while executing a caption againſt Alexander. The jury found the libel not proven, and they were aſſoilzied.—2. Duncan Macmillan ſhipper in Maryburgh, and Mary Macmillan, a ſoldier's wife in Fort-William, indicted for deforcing a meſſenger while executing a caption againſt Duncan Millan. They were acquitted by the jury, and aſſoilzied. Sarah Macmillan, Mary Macintyre, and Florence Cameron, indicted along with them for the ſame deforcement, not having appeared, were fugitate.—3. The ſame Duncan Macmillan, Archibald Wilſon carpenter, and John More Cameron, indicted for an aſſault and battery on the ſame meſſenger, in reſentment of his having done his duty in the way of his office, were alſo acquitted by the jury and aſſoilzied.—Three others, indicted for deforcing a meſſenger, when attempting to execute a caption againſt Maclachlan, were found guilty, and ſentenced to two months imprisonment, and to be baniſhed the county of Inverneſs for life.—5. Duncan Innes, or M'Innes, Miller at Bunrie, pariſh of Kilmalie, indicted for a rape and an aſſault on a young woman. The libel was reſtricted to the aſſault alone, and the jury found it not proven, and he was thereupon aſſoilzied.—6. James Taylor at Dunbeath, in the county of Caithneſs, indicted for ſtealing from the pockets of a man with whom he had ſlept in the ſame bed at Inverneſs, the ſum of 14 l. and upwards, but which was next day recovered. Upon his petition he was baniſhed the counties of Caithneſs and Sutherland; and, being a ſailor, was adjudged to his Majeſty's naval ſervice. The Court roſe this day, and ſits next at Aberdeen."

Extract of a letter from Kilmarnock, Sept. 11.

"William Cunningham, the noted highwayman, has lately made his appearance here, and committed ſome of his old tricks. A few days ago he inliſted with a recruiting party of the 25th regiment, got part of the inliſting money, and ſoon after deſerted. The fellow is well known, his thumbs being longer than his fingers, and it is the wiſh of every one he was apprehended, as he has many years been a terror to this ſide of the country.

"On Thurſday laſt, John Aird, maſon at Stevenſton, went into the water to bathe, and, having gone beyond his depth, unhappily periſhed."

Extract of a letter from Dunbar, Sept. 11.

"At Ewrford, in the neighbourhood of this place, one Henry Murray, a ſervant, was bit with a mad dog, which had been wormed. The ſymptoms of the infection appeared in about ſix weeks, and he died in two days. A very common prejudicial opinion prevails, that the jaws of a wormed dog fall down and prevent him biting; but it is falſe. This it is hoped will ſufficiently caution the public againſt keeping any unneceſſary animals of this kind, and of truſting to the above erroneous opinion; whereas, by proper application before the poiſon gets into the circulation of the blood, the perſons bit may be cured."

Extract of a letter from Corke, Sept. 6.

"This morning, an expreſs arrived with a letter from Mr Secretary Eden to the Mayor of this city, of which the following is a copy:

Dublin Caſtle, Sept. 4. 1781.

"I am commanded by my Lord Lieutenant, to inform you, that I have this morning received from Lieutenant Parry Young, commanding one of his Majeſty's tenders, at ſea, the extract of a letter ſaid to have been ſent expreſs, the 30th of Auguſt, by Lord Shuldham, to Liverpool, to be forwarded to the commanders of his Majeſty's ſhips, and to Dublin, in the following words:

"The combined fleets of the enemy, of 34 or 36 ſail of the line, were ſeen five leagues off Scilly, and there is great reaſon to apprehend they are now in the Channel. Vice-Admiral Darby with his ſquadron is in Torbay."—I have to add, that, though my Lord Lieutenant has not received any advices whatever tending to confirm this report, his Excellency has thought proper to direct it to be immediately made known to you, that it may be communicated to the merchants, and tranſmitted to the maſters of the ſeveral Iriſh and Britiſh veſſels within the ports of this kingdom, until farther accounts are received.

"Since the arrival of the above expreſs, we hear another arrived at twelve o'clock, informing, that the combined fleets were in our Channel, and directing that this harbour may be paid particular attention to."

To the Printer of the Caledonian Mercury.

SIR,

FROM the ſatisfaction I have received on former occaſions, at the performances of Mr Breſlaw, I was led to attend his ſeveral exhibitions ſince he came to town. To attempt a deſcription of the various deceptions with which that gentleman entertains his audience, would be as impoſſible, as it would be out of the power of any one, ever ſo well inclined, to do juſtice to the merits of the exhibiter. Theſe are well known, and univerſally acknowledged. Great as his abilities are, however, he never invites the Public to a feaſt entirely ſerved up by himſelf. Upon his preſent excurſion to this metropolis, he has brought along with him a young lady, whoſe ſurpriſing abilities, conſidering her tender years, are truly aſtoniſhing, and might well be compared, without partiality, to the moſt capital performer of which the ſtage can boaſt, either as an orator or a ſinger. We have often had Lectures before; but I will venture to pronounce, none of ſuperior merit to this young lady, in whoſe praiſe it is impoſſible to ſay too much.

I own, Sir, it gave me a good deal of pleaſure, to find the ſenſe of the town coincided ſo much with my own ſentiments, as to theſe two capital genius's, by the numerous and brilliant audiences which have hitherto attended them, and who teſtified their approbation by the moſt unanimous burſts of applauſe.

Mr Breſlaw is very unlike many of the performers who are in uſe to viſit this city. His private character will bear the ſtricteſt ſcrutiny, while he may challenge the whole world to equal him in his public profeſſion. No better proof need be adduced of this than the marks of eſteem and regard which have been beſtowed upon him, by all ranks of people, not only in this, but in ſeveral other kingdoms. On his various excurſions, he has been honoured with the freedom of many cities. So far back as the year 1776, he was preſented with that of Canongate. Moſt part of his time he has reſided in the politeſt circles in London. There, his ſtrict honeſty, and gentlemanly behaviour, never failed to inſure the reſpect and attention of perſons of the firſt diſtinction. He ſoon intends to retire, as I have been well informed, from publicly exhibiting in his preſent profeſſion; and, by the advice of ſome people of conſequence, as well as from his own inclination, is determined to take up his reſidence in the metropolis of Scotland, in a reputable branch That he may be equally ſucceſsful in this, as he has been in his former line of life, is the wiſh of, Sir,

Your very humble ſervant,

A FRIEND TO MERIT.

SOUND SHIPPING.

PASSED,

Aug. 23. Aberdeen Packet, of and from Aberdeen, Mackenzie, for Peterſburgh, in ballaſt.
Mary of and from Inverneſs, Bayne, for ditto, ditto.
Warner of Irvine, Barr, from Dublin, for Memel, ditto.

ARRIVED AND REMAIN,

John, of and for Arbroath, Littlejohn, from Riga, with flax.
Grafton, of and for Dundee, Adams, from ditto, ditto.
Hope, of and for ditto, Black, from ditto, ditto.
25. Jean, of and for Aberdeen, Gray, from ditto, ditto.
Charming Nancy, of and for Dundee, Boyack, from ditto, with ditto.
Unity, of and for ditto, Maver, from ditto, ditto.

The Warner, Captain Barr, of Irvine, from Dublin, was taken the 6th current, by the La Gloire privateer of Dunkirk, off the Lewis Iſlands, and ranſomed for 350 guineas.

ELSINORE, AUGUST 25. 1781. Wind S. E.

WALTER WOOD.

LEITH SHIPPING.

ARRIVED,

Sept. 13. Nelly, Peatrie, from Druſton, with tar.
Friends Increaſe, Timmet, from Feverſham, with apples.
14. John and Roſiman, Brown, from Hull, with grain.
Margaret, Lockhart, from Riga, with hemp, &c.
Adventurer, Turnbull, from ditto, with ditto.
Six Siſters, Thomſon, from ditto, with ditto.
Hoop, Thurſon, from Chriſtiana, with wood.
15. Three Friends, Houſton, from Hull, with kelp.
Elizabeth, Caithneſs, from Arbroath, with green wood.
Robert, M'Iver, from Dyſart, with ſalt.

SAILED,

Jean, Brown, for Glaſgow, with goods.
Katty, M'Laren, for Inverneſs, with ditto.

GREENOCK SHIPPING.

ARRIVED,

September 11. Friends, Lyon, from Belfaſt, in ballaſt.
Jeans, Sharp, from Dumfries, with timber and bark.
Jeanie, Angus, from the Iſle of Man, with herrings.
12. Dolphin, Mackay, from Dumfries, with timber and bark.

SAILED,

10. Jamaica, M'Iver, for Charleſtown, with goods.
Little James, Moriſon, for Newfoundland, with ditto.
Adventure, Macdougall, for Dublin, with ditto.
11. Hero, Gordon, for New York, with ditto.
Janet, Lato, for Dublin, with coals.

WANTED,

A PARTNER in an eſtabliſhed Woollen Drapery Warehouſe, in a good ſituation in Edinburgh. Letters directed to the Publiſher will be duly attended to.

N. B. None need apply but thoſe who can not only ſtock in ſome capital, but are alſo capable to manage the buſineſs, as it is only ſuch a partner is wanted.

APPLES.

JUST now arrived from KENT, after a ſhort paſſage, a Cargo of exceeding fine APPLES, of various kinds. To be ſold in a loft, foot of Quality Street, Leith.

BROWN, THOMSON, AND COMPANY,

IMPORTERS and DEALERS in FAIRNTOSH WHISKEY,

HAVE juſt now on hand a large quantity of exceeding good FAIRNTOSH WHISKEY, which will be ſold wholeſale and retail, at their ſhop and cellar, foot of the Old Fiſh Market Cloſe, Cowgate, Edinburgh. The Company beg leave to return their ſincere thanks to the Public, for the encouragement they have been favoured with, and hope, from the conſtant attention of the Company, to have always a large ſtock of genuine ſpirits on hand; as one of the partners reſides conſtantly in Fairntoſh, flatter themſelves, they will ever have it in their power to ſerve the public with the very beſt ſpirits, warranted free of any mixture, and upon terms ſo as to merit their future favour.——The wholeſale orders received at the ſhop, or letters addreſſed to Mr John Kerr diſtiller, in Fairntoſh, by Dingwall, will be duly anſwered.

☞ As the Company deal in no other ſpirits but Fairntoſh, are ſorry to find, that through miſtake ſervants have taken home ſpirits of an inferior quality to any ever ſold by them, begs that ſuch miſtakes may in future be prevented; they will be careful to direct them to the Fairntoſh Company, corner ſhop, foot of the Old Fiſh Market Cloſe, entering from the Cowgate.

SALE OF LANDS IN ABERDEEN-SHIRE.

To be SOLD, by private bargain,

THE Lands and Eſtate of ELRICK, lying in the pariſh of New-Machar and county of Aberdeen; the yearly rent, including what is in the natural poſſeſſion of the proprietor, is upwards of 300 l. ſterling, free of every deduction whatever.——Theſe lands are of an excellent ſoil, lie compact, and are well accommodated with fewel.——They are almoſt entirely encloſed with march fences, and moſt of the farms are alſo incloſed.

The farm in the proprietor's poſſeſſion is moſtly incloſed with white thorn and beech tree hedges, which are thriving extremely well.

There is is a convenient manſion-houſe on the eſtate, and a ſet of new offices adjoining, which are built with ſtone and lime and covered with ſlate and tyle. There are a number of full grown and valuable trees on the eſtate, beſides ſeveral plantations of firs, and in particular one plantation of fifty acres of different kinds of timber, ten years old, and thriving extremely well. The eſtate holds of the Crown, and entitles the proprietor to a vote for a Member of Parliament.

For further particulars, apply to James Walker, writer to the ſign in Edinburgh, or Arthur Dingwall Fordyce, Advocate in Aberdeen.

AYR RACES.

TO be run for over the COURSE at AYR, upon Thurſday the 1ſt of November, FIFTY POUNDS, for all ages, the beſt of three four-mile heats, to carry the following weights:

Four years old,	7 ſt. 11 lb.	Six years old,	8 ſt. 11 lb.
Five years old,	8 ſt. 5 lb.	Aged	9 ſtone.

The winner of a King's hundred to carry 5 lb. and the winner of a fifty pound, (ſince the firſt of March laſt) to carry 3 lb. extra.

To be run for over the ſame courſe, upon Friday the 2d of November, FIFTY POUNDS, by Hunters, actually hunted all laſt ſeaſon in Scotland, the beſt of three four-mile heats, and to carry 11 ſtone.

The Horſes to be entered at the King's-Arms, Ayr, on Wedneſday the 31ſt October, betwixt the hours of four and ſix in the afternoon.

There will be an ordinary at 2 s. 6 d. a-head; and gentlemen will only pay for what liquors they call for.

HOUSE IN ARGYLE-SQUARE.

TO be SOLD, the DWELLING-HOUSE in *Argyle-Square*, belonging to DAVID ERSKINE Clerk to the Signet, conſiſting of twelve rooms, ſeveral light cloſets, kitchen, garrets, and four cellars, with a back area, water pipe, and many other conveniencies. One of the rooms is 30 feet by 18, and of a proper heighth. The ſituation of the houſe is pleaſant and centrical.——It will be ſhown on Monday, Thurſday, and Friday, betwixt one and three afternoon.

A purchaſer may have acceſs at Martinmas next.

TO SELL, or to be LET FURNISHED,

THE Manſion Houſe, Offices, Orchards, Policy, Parks, and Incloſures of

RESTALRIG,

Which belonged to the deceaſed Alexander Tait, Eſq; one of the principal Clerks of Seſſion.

The premiſſes are all in exceeding good order, moſt completely incloſed, and a conſiderable quantity of thriving planting thereon.—The gardens and orchard are extenſive, and completely ſtocked; with a greenhouſe, &c.—The whole includes about 22 acres of ground, and lies about a mile to the eaſt of Edinburgh.—The entry to be at Martinmas firſt. To be ſhown by the gardener at Reſtalrig.

ALSO,

To be SOLD, That LODGING in Argyle-Square, with back court and offices, which belonged to, and was laſt poſſeſſed by the ſaid deceaſed Alexander Tait, Eſq ——To be ſeen on Tueſday and Thurſday, betwixt eleven and two o'clock.

For particulars, apply to Alexander Tait writer in Edinburgh, or George Jeffray writer in Edinburgh.

To be LET for ſuch number of years as can be agreed upon, and entered to at Martinmas or Candlemas next,

THE MANSION-HOUSE, with the Furniture therein, Office-houſes, Gardens, and Incloſures of CAROLINE PARK,

lying within the pariſh of Cramond, and ſhire of Edinburgh, as the ſame were lately poſſeſſed by the deceaſed Sir James Adolphus Oughton, and now by Lady Oughton.

Mr Dickſon at Caroline Park, will ſhow the houſe, ground, &c. and any perſon inclining to take a leaſe thereof, may apply to Alexander Clark writer, Stamp-Office, Edinburgh.

A FARM and MILL in FIFE to LET,

For Five Years from Martinmas 1781.

TO be LET by public roup, on Saturday the 29th September curt. within the houſe of Henry Logan brewer in Crail, betwixt the hours of eleven and twelve forenoon,

That Part of the Lands of STRAVITHY, lying on the ſouth ſide of the burn, and on the eaſt and weſt ſides of the road leading from St Andrews to Anſtruther, conſiſting of 57 acres or thereby, of good arable ground. Together with the MILL of Stravithy, aſtricted multures, and ſequels thereof, and piece of Braes lying beweſt the mill. ALSO, The COTTOWN of Stravithy, containing 140 acres or thereby, all as preſently poſſeſſed by David and James Wilſons, tenants therein, all lying in the pariſh of Denino.

The mill has command of water at all ſeaſons, and has an extenſive out-thirle. There is plenty of coals within a mile, and limeſtone within three miles of the lands.——The lands lie within two miles of St Andrews, three miles of Crail, and four from Anſtruther, Kilrenny, and Pittenweem.

The articles of roup to be ſeen in the hands of Andrew Whyte town-clerk of Crail.

By the Truſtees for the Creditors of M'Call and Smellie, Merchants in Glaſgow.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the houſe of Mrs Sheid, near the Croſs, in Glaſgow, upon Wedneſday the third day of October 1781, at one o'clock afternoon,

THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS,

Diſponed by the ſaid Debtors to the ſaid Truſtees, viz.

I. All and whole the thirty-ſeven ſhilling and ſix penny Land of old extent in Eaſter Dalbeth, called EASTER HILL, with the pertinents, and the Park contiguous thereto called BRAIDFAULD; with the ſhare of Clydeſmill, and Salmon Fiſhing in the river Clyde, belonging to the ſaid lands; all lying within the Barony pariſh of Glaſgow, in the ſhire of Lanark. As alſo, The going COAL-WORKS, Engine, and other Machinery for working coal, erected on the ſaid grounds.—The lands, conſiſting of 72 acres or thereby, lie, pleaſantly ſituated, upon the north bank of the river Clyde, about three miles from Glaſgow. There is a neat convenient manſion-houſe and offices on them, beſides farm houſes, with a garden well ſtocked with fruit-trees.—There are ſeveral deep ſeams of coal in the lands, which, from their good quality and vicinity to Glaſgow, have a ready market; and, by proper attention, they may be wrought to great extent and advantage.——The above lands will be ſet up in whole or in lots, if bidders incline.

John Horn at Eaſter Hill will ſhow the lands.

II. A HOUSE in Queen's Street of Glaſgow, lately built by George M'Call; and the back Court and Garden behind, to the ſouth of a line along the north gavel of the ſaid houſe.

III. That LOT OF GROUND for building, lying in Queen's Street, with ſome offices thereon, contiguous to and on the north of the lot laſt mentioned, and on the ſouth of and contiguous to Mr Cunninghame's houſe and grounds.

IV. The HOUSE, being the ſecond ſtorey of a fore Tenement in Glaſgow, on the eaſt ſide of the ſtreet leading from the Croſs to the College; together with the Cellars and pertinents; all as poſſeſſed by Archibald Smellie merchant in Glaſgow.

All who are indebted to Archibald Smellie and Son for coals, are deſired to pay what they owe to John Ronald merchant in Glaſgow, who alone has power to receive and diſcharge the ſame, and will be found at the ſhop of William and Alexander Cooper, merchants in Glaſgow.

The articles of roup, and progreſs of writs of the ſaid lands, and a plan of the country lands, are to be ſeen in the hands of Tho. Grahame writer in Glaſgow; and a copy of the articles of roup, and inventory of the progreſs of writs, are lodged with Robert Trotter writer to the ſignet.

TO be SOLD, at Lawſon's Coffeehouſe, Leith, on Monday the 1ſt of October, at twelve o'clock noon,

The Lugger Privateer *Herondelle*

of Dunkerque, about 86 tons meaſurement, more or leſs, pierced for 12 guns, mounts 8 beſides ſwivels, is quite new, only five days out upon her firſt cruize, a moſt remarkable faſt ſailer; taken by his Majeſty's ſhip Proſelyte, John Brown, Eſq; Commander, after a chace of 37 hours.

Inventories to be ſeen on board, with Bell and Rannie merchants, and James Hamilton broker, Leith.

AN ENSIGNCY TO BE SOLD.

AN ENSIGNCY in the 57th Regiment of Foot, preſently lying in America.—For further particulars, apply to John Dundas clerk to the ſignet.

A FARM in Perthſhire to LET.

TO be LET for ſuch term of years as can be agreed on, and entered to at Martinmas 1782.

The extenſive FARM of the Parks and Incloſures, &c. of TULLIBARDINE, ſituate four miles ſouth eaſt of the village of Crieff, in the pariſh of Blackfoord, preſently poſſeſſed by Mrs Miller.

The farm-houſe and offices are in good repair.

Propoſals will be received by Thomas Billet, the Duke of Atholl's factor, at Dunkeld.

FARM IN PERTH-SHIRE TO LET.

To be LET, and entered to at Martinmas 1781,

THE large Farm of FINGASK, in the pariſh of Rhynd, and ſhire of Perth, lying moſtly to a ſouth expoſure; the lands on the high ground being of a ſweet mellow nature, fit for barley, clover, and turnip, or indeed any other crops; that below of rich carſe grounds, proper for wheat and bean crops. There are about ſeventy acres Scots of this kind of low ground, which have never yet been ploughed, lying well and conveniently for bringing lime by water within half a mile of that part of the farm. There are a good many ditches already made towards incloſing it, which will make the deſign of incloſing the whole more eaſy, and ſooner effected. And towards bringing in the 70 acres, it is propoſed that the proprietor give a certain allowance for lime, which, at communing, will be further explained.—There is a very good houſe lately repaired for the tenant; and, beſides an eaſy communication by water with Dundee or Leith, the farm lies within about three miles of Perth, both for a market and purchaſing dung. Part of the ground is under ſummer fallow this year, and part is laid down with clover, &c. for the conveniency of the entering tenant.

Andrew Davidſon writer in Perth will find a perſon to ſhow the premiſſes, and take any propoſals that may be made, or the proprietor at Kemback, by Cupar in Fife.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within John's Coffeehouſe of Edinburgh, on Tueſday the 20th November next, betwixt the hours of five and ſix afternoon,

The Lands and Eſtate of NEWFIELD,

lying in the pariſh of Durdonald, within four miles of the towns of Irving and Kilmarnock, and eight of the county town of Ayr. Theſe lands are ſufficiently incloſed, and divided by hedges and belts of planting. The proprietor has been ſeveral years in the natural poſſeſſion of the whole, and has laid out very conſiderable ſums in improvement. There is an exceeding good houſe upon the eſtate, with a ſuitable garden, and offices of all kinds.

The grounds abound with coal, which may be brought to yield conſiderable returns, being well ſituated for ſales, and within a very few miles of lime.

The lands hold of a ſubject-ſuperior, for payment of ſmall feu-duties, and the teinds are valued.

A plan of the eſtate, with the progreſs and articles of ſale, may be ſeen by applying to Mr David Ruſſel accomptant in Edinburgh, William Dick writer to the ſignet, or the proprietor at Newfield.

AS ALSO,

The SUPERIORITY of the four-merk Land of old extent of BRAIDILAND, lying in the baillery of Cunningham, and ſhire of Ayr.

The old extent of theſe lands, which are holden of the Crown, is aſcertained by a retour prior to 1681, and they give a qualification in the county. The progreſs may be ſeen, by applying as above.

AND

The Lands of LETHAM, lying in the pariſh of Arngaſk, and ſhire of Fife. They are of conſiderable extent, and have been in graſs for ſeveral years.

They are held of a ſubject, for payment of a ſmall feu-duty.

Andrew Murray of Conland, near Kinroſs, will inform as to particulars; and the progreſs and meaſurement may be ſeen, by applying as above.

By Adjournment.

TO be SOLD by roup, or auction, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe Edinburgh, on Wedneſday the 28th day of November 1781, betwixt the hours of five and ſeven afternoon,

I. The Lands and Barony of CLOSEBURN, lying in the united pariſhes of Cloſeburn and Dalgarna, and ſhire of Dumfries, with the right of patronage of the ſaid united pariſhes.

II. The Lands and Eſtate of CAPENOCH, lying in the pariſh of Keir and ſhire aforeſaid.

The Barony of Cloſeburn conſiſts of 9360 acres, or thereby; and the free-rent, after deduction of all public burdens, is about 1740 l. Sterling, excluſive of the lime-quarries and ſalmon-fiſhing.

There are Woods upon this eſtate to the extent of 270 acres, or thereby, whereof about 180 is moſtly oak, one-half twenty years old, the other lately cut, about fifty is fir and other timber near and round the manſion-houſe, 50 years old; and about forty is a thriving plantation of young firs on the farms of Campel and Lakehead.

The farm of Cloſeburn Mains is completely incloſed and ſub-divided, and ſome of the parks were, a few years ago, laid down to graſs, and are in great heart; and a conſiderable part of the remaining eſtate is incloſed and parcelled out into ſmall farms, and provided with neat farm houſes and offices, lately built.

Near the middle of this Barony there is a lime-work, in a moſt flouriſhing condition, which, beſides being a noble fund for improving the eſtate, has, for a number of years paſt, yielded ſeveral hundred pounds of clear annual profit.

The eſtate has right of Salmon-fiſhing on the river Nith, which bounds it on the ſouth. It has alſo great plenty of moſs; and the whole is well ſheltered and watered.

It is ſituated about ten meaſured miles from the market-town and thirteen from the port of Dumfries, where there is a conſtant demand for grain, both for home conſumption and export; alſo a weekly market for cattle of every kind. It is about the ſame diſtance from Sanquhar, from which coal can be got at a reaſonable rate, and only two miles from the village of Thornhill, where there is a quarterly fair, and a good market for yarn, and all ſorts of coarſe cloths, the manufacture of the country.

The great roads from England and Dumfries, to Glaſgow and Ayr, by Thornhill and Sanquhar, and to Edinburgh, by the Lead-hills, paſs through this eſtate, for upwards of three miles.

Theſe advantages, in point of ſituation and intercourſe, afford the tenants an opportunity of getting the very beſt prices for the product of their farms.

The barony of Cloſeburn ſtands rated in the ceſs-books at 4350 merks Scots, whereof about 3000 merks holds blench of the Crown, and the remainder of ſubjects for payment of ſmall feu-duties. The proprietor has right to the tithes.

The eſtate of Capenoch holds of a ſubject, and is pleaſantly ſituated on the banks of the waters of Shinnel and Scarr. It contains 900 acres or thereby, including about 56 acres of wood twenty years old. Part of theſe lands are at preſent in the proprietor's own hand, but the free rent of the whole, when laſt ſet, was 231 l. 3s. 6d. ſter. The arable part of this eſtate has almoſt all been limed within theſe three years, and the paſture ground is reckoned one of the beſt ſheep walks in Nithſdale. The lands of Byreholm, part of Capenoch, has lately been incloſed and divided into ſmall farms, and good houſes built on them.

William Campbell writer to the ſignet will ſhew the title-deeds, rent-rolls, current leaſes, plans of the eſtate, and conditions of ſale; and copies of the rent-rolls will be ſeen in the hands of Mr William Macdowal, at Dumfries, the factor on the eſtate, who will alſo ſhew the lands.

For farther particulars, apply to Alexander Farquharſon accomptant in Edinburgh, who has power to ſell by private bargain, and will be ready to treat and allow a reaſonable time to pay the price.

By Adjournment, *and Upſet Price fixed.*

TO be SOLD, by roup or auction, within John's Coffee-houſe, Edinburgh, on Monday the 19th day of November 1781, betwixt the hours of five and ſix afternoon,

The Lands and Eſtate of CARGEN, lying in

the pariſh of Traquair, and ſtewartry of Kirkcudbright, about three meaſured miles from Dumfries.

It conſiſts of about 720 Engliſh acres of exceeding fine rich loamy ſoil, laid out in the beſt manner, well watered, and ſubdivided with hedges, dykes, and ditches, and belts of planting from 60 to 70 feet wide. About 25 acres are planted in this manner with fir, oak, aſh, beech, and elm, which, with the hedges, are all in the moſt healthy and thriving condition, from five to twenty-five years old. The farm-houſes are in good repair, being all lately built.

The eſtate lies on a declivity, facing ſouth and ſouth-eaſt, along the banks of the river Nith, which is navigable for a good way above it. It has within itſelf an inexhauſtible fund of manure called Sea Sleetch, which, from experience, has been found equal, if not ſuperior to any other for raiſing all kinds of corn and graſs.

Near the centre of the eſtate is the Manſion-houſe, Garden, and Orchard, contiguous, pleaſantly ſituated. The orchard ſtored with the beſt fruit-trees, ſtandards as well as eſpaliers, all in healthy and thriving condition. Near the houſe, there is a complete court of offices conſiſting of barns, granary, ſtables, byres, ſheds and ſtraw, hog and poultry yards, and other conveniencies fit for the accommodation of a gentleman's family.

The rent of the eſtate previous to Whitſunday laſt was about 677 l. Owing to ſome of the farms being ſet from that term for one year, or ſhort endurances, and under reſtrictions as to tillage, the rent from Whitſunday laſt is only about 500 l.

The lands hold of ſubject-ſuperior, for payment of 3 l. 6 s. 8 d. of feu-duty, except a ſmall pendicle which holds of the Crown.

The valuation is 625 l. Scots.—The landlord is bound to pay the whole public burdens, which are the above-mentioned feu-duty of 3 l. 6 s. 8 d. the ceſs, with 2 l. 8 s. 10½ d. of ſtipend, and 1 l. 3 s. 0½ d. of ſchool ſalary.—The teinds were valued in 1755, and the heritor has a tack thereof from the Crown, current till Lammas 1789.

The upſet price of this lot, for the encouragement of offerers, is Twelve Thouſand Pounds.

ALSO, to be SOLD, time and place foreſaid, the SUPERIORITY of the Eight-merk Land of DRUM, lying in the barony and pariſh of New Abbey, and ſtewartry foreſaid, which gives a freehold qualification in the county. The vaſſal pays a feu-duty of 13 s. 4 d. Sterling.—Upſet price One Hundred Pounds.

William Campbell writer to the ſignet will ſhew the title-deeds, rental, current leaſes, and conditions of ſale. Copies of the conditions of ſale, and inventory of writs, will be ſeen in the hands of Thomas Goldie writer in Dumfries. And thoſe who wiſh for further information may apply to them, or Mr Ludovick Grant, accomptant in Edinburgh.

By ADJOURNMENT.

TO be SOLD by roup or auction, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, on Thurſday the 29th day of November next, betwixt the hours of five and ſeven afternoon,

The Lands and Eſtate of HOLMAINS,

(as formerly advertiſed)

Lying in the pariſhes of Dalton and Lochmaben, (except the lands of Upper Dormont, and the lands of Peacairn, in the pariſh of Dalton, and the Lands in Hoddam and Dryſdale pariſhes, now ſold); to be expoſed altogether, or in the following lots or parcels, and put up, for the encouragement of purchaſers, at the low prices after mentioned, viz.

The whole remaining Eſtate will be expoſed at 14,700 l.

And if it does not ſell *in cumulo*, it will then be divided, and expoſed in lots or parcels, thus, viz.

LOT I.

The Farm of Harthwood, in the pariſh of Lochmaben, about 345 acres, preſent rent 66 l. and twelve hens, holding of the Crown, and valued in the ceſs-books at 135 merks. The teinds are valued and exhauſted; and there is a limeſtone quarry, lately diſcovered and opened, which may yield a good rent, there being no other limeſtone in that part of the country. To be expoſed at 1350 l.

LOT II.

The whole Eſtate in the pariſh of Dalton, (except Upper Dormont and Peacairn) with the Patronage of the Pariſh of Dalton; to be expoſed altogether at 14,000 l.; and if not ſold, it will be divided into three parcels, and expoſed as follows, viz.

Parcel 1. The Lands of Meikle Dalton, (excepting Peacairn) and Kirkwood, and the Fiſhings thereof, with the Patronage of the Pariſh of Dalton, all holding of the Crown, containing about 714 acres, and paying preſently about 288 l.; to be expoſed at 7200 l.

This parcel is all incloſed and ſubdivided; and there is a very good manſion-houſe at Kirkwood, with gardens, orchards, offices, and out-houſes of all kinds, for the accommodation of a gentleman's family. There is alſo above 90 acres of wood land, not rentalled; and the woods are very valuable. They ſold at laſt cutting, in 1754, at 915 l.; and are now again very thriving, and fit for ſale. Since 1754, the woods have been encreaſed by 30 acres of more planting; and all this is excluſive of the full-grown old timber trees ſtanding round the houſe and gardens of Kirkwood, and at the village of Dalton, computed to be worth from 300 to 400 l.

2. The Lands of Holmains, Dam, Little Dalton, Mill thereof, Kirkhill, Amagill, Butterwhat, and Part of Mouſewald Common, all holding of the Crown, containing about 1211 acres, and paying preſently about 273 l.; to be expoſed at 6200 l.

This parcel is completely incloſed and ſubdivided; and there is marle on ſeveral of the farms. There is alſo a convenient manſion-houſe and garden at Holmains, and 30 acres of wood land, not rentalled. The woods are valuable. They ſold, when laſt cut, in 1767, at 750 l. and, being ſince well kept, are now very thriving. There is alſo detached clumps or parcels of oak and aſh, on different parts of the eſtate, now fit for ſale; and a riſe of 50 l. or thereby, is expected on the lands of Holmains, when the current tacks expire, in 1784.

3. The Lands called Fourteen Acres, conſiſting of about 73 acres, and paying preſently 30 l. and 15 hens; to be expoſed at 770 l. The purchaſer of this parcel will have a freehold qualification upon the whole extent.

And, at the ſame time and place, there is alſo to be ſold, by roup, the Superiority of the Lands after-mentioned, in the lots following, viz.

LOT I. The Superiority of the Seven Merk Land of Pearſbyhill, called Craighouſeſteads and Midge Brae, belonging in property to Joſeph and Richardſon, valued in the ceſs-books at 142 merks, and paying 20 merks of yearly feu-duty.

II. The Superiority of the Three Merk Land of Lairdholm and Plewlandaſh, belonging in property to Johnſton, preſently under judicial ſale at the inſtance of the apparent heir, valued in the ceſs-books at 140 merks, and paying 2 l. Scots of annual feu-duty.

III. The Superiority of the Forty Shilling Land of Rammerſcales, belonging in property to Mr Mounſey, valued in the ceſs-books at 150 merks, and paying 2 l. Scots of annual feu-duty, and 3s. 4d. in augmentation of the rental.

IV. The Superiority of the Forty Shilling Land of Cocket-hill, alſo belonging in property to Mr Mounſey, valued in the ceſs books at 120 merks, and paying 2 l. Scots of feu-duty.

V. The Superiority of the Five One-half Merk Land of Raſchyhaugh, Greenfields, and Howthat, belonging in property to Mr Corruthers of Hardriggs, valued in the ceſs-books at 245 merks, and paying 5½ merks of feu-duty.

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Thoſe who wiſh for further information, or incline to purchaſe by private bargain, may apply to Alexander Farquharſon accomptant in Edinburgh, who will be ready to treat, and to allow a reaſonable time for payment of the price.

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